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Madrid, November 14. *N. S.*

THE following Order was sent from this Court to the Spaniſh Weſt Indies, in October laſt. By a general Order diſpatch'd in this preſent Month of October, the Vice-Roys, Audiencia's, Governors of the Ports, Royal Officers, and all other Officers and Miniſters whatſoever of either Kingdom of Peru and Mexico, are ſtrictly commanded, That if any Ship or Veſſel ſhall arrive with Forg'd or Pretended Paſſports, they ſhould Sieze the ſame Veſſel with her Tackle, Apparel and Loading, and put under cloſe Confinement all the People belonging to the ſaid Ship; and if any Officer or Miniſter be wanting in his Duty, with reſpect to what is herein declared, he ſhall be deprived of his Employments and forfeit his Eſtate, and be ſent Priſoner home to theſe Kingdoms, where he ſhall undergo the ſevereſt Puniſhment; and they are alſo forbid, under the ſame Penalties, to ſuffer any Ship, be they of what Nation ſoever, to Trade unlawfully in any Port, Creek, Haven, Road or Coaſt whatſoever, in either of the ſaid Kingdoms; for that the ſaid Governors or Officers who ſhall have notice thereof, ſhall Seize the Veſſels and ſecure the Criminals, and ſend them, together with the Informations of the Facts, to theſe Kingdoms, and having taken an Inventory of the Goods and Merchandize, they ſhall cauſe the ſame to be burnt in the open Market-Place, with the Aſſiſtance of the Officers of Juſtice of that Port or Place where the ſame ſhall have been Seized.

Hamburgh, Decem. 15. *N. S.* Count Schonborn is ſet out from Vienna for Brunſwick, where he is to preſide at the Congreſs. His Imperial Majeſty hath ſent Six Regiments of Horſe into the Biſhoprick of Hildeſheim. The Elector of Hanover and the Duke of Wolfenbuttle have likewiſe order'd all their Troops to return from the Upper Rhine, in order to ſupport whatever is concluded at that Aſſembly, and to compel all Parties to acquieſce in the Agreements that ſhall be made there. Several Conferences upon the Affairs of Holſtein have alſo been held at Berlin, between the Miniſters of Muſcovy, Denmark, Poland and Pruſſia, who have at laſt agreed upon certain Conditions that have been ſent to the King of Denmark for his Ratification. On the 2d paſt, the Princeſs of Sweden was introduced into the Senate, and took her Place there in Quality of Regent, with the univerſal Applauſe of the People. She hath already conven'd the States of the Kingdom to meet on the 14th Inſtant, and they are to ſettle the Succeſſion, in caſe the King ſhould happen to Die without Iſſue, and to conſider of proper Meaſures for putting an end to this expenſive and unhappy War. It is thought they will likewiſe ſend a ſolemn Deputation to his Majeſty, to entreat him to return as ſoon as poſſible into his own Dominions. The Admiral of Muſcovy, who commanded the Czar's Army in Finland, arriv'd on the 5th paſt at Petersbourg, with an Account of an Action that happen'd lately in that Province. The Swediſh Army, conſiſting of Nine thouſand Men, abandon'd Tavaſthuys upon the approach of the Muſcovites, and retired Four Leagues from thence, poſting themſelves behind the River Pelkem. The Admiral follow'd them, and reſolv'd to attack them, notwithſtanding their advantageous Situation, having a River and a double Entrenchment, well fortified with Paliſadoes and Redoubts, before them. On each ſide was a great Lake, which General Galizen was order'd to paſs, to the Right of the Enemy, with Six thouſand Men in Boats. At the ſame time the Admiral attack'd their Entrenchment in three Places, and after a Fight that laſted four Hours with great Bravery on each Side, the Swedes were routed, but rallied again at a Paſſage call'd Damersfors, which they afterwards quitted as the Muſcovites drew near, leaving the whole Province at their Diſcretion. The Princeſs Regent of Sweden hath ſent for Major-General Ducker, Governor of Wiſmar, and appointed him to be Commander in Chief of the Troops of that Kingdom. They write from Adrianople, that the Ratifications of the Treaty between the Muſcovites and the Turks were exchanged, but in that with Poland there remain'd ſome Difficulty about the Ceſſion of Ukrain, which was inſiſted upon by the Port, and the Poliſh Miniſter would not conſent to. However the Turkiſh Army, which had been aſſembled on the Frontiers of Poland, was beginning to ſeparate, except a Body of Three thouſand Men that continued near Cochim. We have been ſince inform'd, that the King of Sweden was return'd from Dermides to a Place within a little way of Adrianople, and that the Capigi-Bacha had acquainted his Majeſty, by Order of the Port, that as ſoon as the Grand Signior had ſetled ſome Points in diſpute with Poland, he was reſolv'd to renew and confirm the Treaty of Carlowitz, and admit the Ambaſſador of the Republick to an Audience; That in purſuance of his Engagements he had agreed for a free and ſecure Paſſage for his Majeſty through Poland into his own Dominions, with the conſent of King Auguſtus: That he was deſired to inform the Port what Sum of Money was neceſſary for his Journey, which he ſhould be furniſh'd with, in hopes he would pay it as ſoon as he arrived in his own Kingdom. The King of Sweden anſwer'd, That ſince the Port was determin'd not to contribute any more to the Reſtoration of King Staniſlaus, he would not preſs them upon that Subject; he only deſir'd they would ſuffer that unhappy Prince to go where he pleaſed, and not deliver him up to his Enemies. As for his own Journey, he would deliver in a Memorial, in which he would fix on a Day for his Departure; and he hoped the Port would ſend him away in a manner ſuitable to his Dignity.

Bruſſels, December 13. *N. S.* The Deputies ſent by the Regency to eſtabliſh Cuſtom-houſes in the Frontier-Places of the Dutch-Barrier, returned hither ſome Days ago, having executed their Commiſſion, and a free Trade is opened between thoſe Countries and the reſt of the Spaniſh Netherlands. The States of Hainault are now aſſembled at Mons, in order to deliberate upon the Propoſals made them by the Regency, for ſatisfying the King of Pruſſia's Pretenſions on that Province. This Morning Monſieur Fracula, one of the Council of Finances, and Monſieur Caſtillon, Secretary of Commerce, ſet out for Utrecht, being deputed by the Regency to confer further with the Britiſh and Dutch Commiſſaries, upon the Trade of the Spaniſh Netherlands. We have received advice from Raditadt, that Prince Eugene and Mareſchal Villars continued their Conferences at that Place, and it was thought they would not part till the return of the Expreſſes they had diſpatch'd to the Courts of Vienna and Verſailles.

Hague, December 19. *N. S.* On the 14th, the States of Holland ſeparated for eight Days. The ſame Day the Baggage of the Sieurs Buys and Goſlinga,